

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
SEATTLE DIVISION

COLLEEN FINLEY,

Plaintiff,

vs.

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.

Civil No. 2:25-CV-00539-MLP

ORDER

The Commissioner's final decision is REVERSED and REMANDED for further administrative proceedings before an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ). Upon remand, the Appeals Council will instruct the Administrative Law Judge to offer the claimant an opportunity for a hearing; take further action to complete the administrative record; and issue a new decision.

1 Remand is made under sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). *See Melkonyan v. Sullivan*,  
2 501 U.S. 89 (1991). Plaintiff will be entitled to reasonable attorney fees and expenses pursuant to  
3 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d), upon proper request to this Court. Plaintiff will be entitled to costs as  
4 enumerated in 28 U.S.C. § 1920, under 28 U.S.C. § 2412(a). Judgment shall be entered for  
5 Plaintiff.

6 Dated this 25th day of June, 2025.

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8 MICHELLE L. PETERSON  
9 United States Magistrate Judge

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